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: APPARATUS FOR MICROINDENTATION HARDNESS TESTING AND SURFACE IMAGING INCORPORATING A MULTI-PLATE

CAPACITOR SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Rewrite Claim 50 as follows:

Means for applying a downward force to said probe, wherein said force sensor measures the force and the means for measuring the output signal of the force sensor converts the output signal to a signal representative of the force during an indentation test.



